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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

Considering all the issues and problems the federal government is dealing with, I have wondered why so much of the government's attention has been directed towards Bill Gates and Microsoft. Why punish a man and a company that has been key in the technological revolution that benefits so many people?

Microsoft will disclose information about certain internal interfaces in Windows, making it much easier for its competitors to compete. This disclosure will make it possible for competitors to remove certain Microsoft programs from the Windows system and replace them with software from a different source. Additionally, Microsoft will change the coding in such a way that Windows will not suffer any reduction in performance when working with non-Microsoft programs.

The decision of the Department of Justice is fair to those parties who brought the lawsuit against Microsoft in the first place. I support the settlement.

Sincerely,

Jana Kelley